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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2002,
please consider the Remarks below.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested. In the Office Action, claims 1-9 were provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-9 in co-pending Application No. 09/780,751 (statutory double patenting).

The double patenting rejection of claims 1-9 is no longer proper because co-pending Application No. 09/780,751 has been abandoned. The '751 application was allowed on October 9,